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4. [] Met with Senator Frank Church regarding a letter he had written to Professor E. W. Pfeiffer of the University of Montana, stating that Senator Church had reliable information that Air America was responsible for defoliation operations in Cambodia. A STATOTHR copy of Senator Church's letter had been sent to the Director for comment by [] I explained to the Senator we were much concerned over this allegation and the Director authorized me to deny it categorically. I added that while we were not prying into the identity of the Senator's source, we were curious as to whether this source's allegations were based on honest mistake or malice. If the former, I suggested the Senator might wish to straighten him out. Senator Church said he couldn't remember off hand where he learned this information but would check his files. He said he fully accepted our denial.

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5. [] After consulting the Director I called Joe Wolf, in State, to say that we could not give him any answer to the question as to how we would respond if called upon by Symington to testify on intelligence exchange agreements. I said these agreements were largely informal, ad hoc, and sensitive. In any event I said State had insisted on getting us in the act by implying that the Senator should turn to us for information on intelligence exchanges, and we were in no position to commit ourselves in advance as to how we would respond to a request to appear. I said we would try to talk our way out of it and failing this, would try to talk to our Subcommittee Chairman but in any event we'd probably have to ad hoc it depending on the circumstances. Wolf said he understood our position, and thanked me for giving him information on the basis of which he hoped he could put the matter to rest in the Department.

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6. [] Attempted to see Senator Jackson (D., Wash.) to brief him on recent developments on Soviet strategic missiles but he was unavailable and I was told to try again tomorrow. 25X1

7. (Confidential - JMM) Talked to John Lehman, of the White House staff, regarding Senator Stennis' (D., Miss.) letter to the President concerning []

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